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SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I have been staying out of this issue, but I do have to speak to a few things. There has been an area and I think if you notice along the interstate at about every intersection there are these light poles, 250 feet long. Those have all been moved down the interstate, I have been involved with some of them. There have been no accidents, no complaints or anything. Those are moved without permits. Here we are talking about permit movements. But the way our laws read you can move construction equipment and stuff without permits and this was done. It was done very safe and I have a high regard for safety because I have been involved in it. Been involved in the trucking safety industry since we formed a Council of Safety Supervisors back in 1971, so I would have concern for the safety. These vehicles can be operated safely, but we are not talking about the trucking movement, we are talking about the movement of newly manufactured trailers. These people are not going to move new manufactured trailers if there is any risk of damaging them because they would have to go back and rebuild them. It is only for that purpose. So with that I support the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rod Johnson. Thank you. I believe that there are no other lights on for recognition and, Senator Schmit, you may close.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I have no closing, Mr. President, except to say that I appreciate the stick-to-itiveness of the people who have supported this bill. I think the industry in David City appreciates it. I think as our former colleague Don Dworak has said and as Senator Warner has said, we talk economic development, and then many times we throw roadblocks in the path of those companies who would try to do something positive for the state. Tempte came to this state, they didn't ask for any favors, they didn't get any grants, they didn't get any special permission or special favors they just try to do business as good neighbors. I think it is time to reciprocate and show a good company that we appreciate them and let them operate in this state in the most economical manner they know how. Thank you very much.